# Neighborhood Association Registry

The City has established a program to identify and support existing neighborhood associations and to assist new neighborhood groups. Neighborhood associations are encouraged to become involved with their Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) to improve citizen participation in the City of Raleigh.

#### Purpose

- Enhance citizen involvement and improve CAC participation;
- Improve communication between neighborhoods and the City;
- Provide opportunities for partnering among neighborhoods and the City;
- Create more involvement in the City's decision-making process;
- Promote healthy neighborhoods;
- Lend support to citizens during the neighborhood organizing process; and,
- Assist residents in addressing and resolving the problems in their neighborhoods.

### Who should be registered?

Membership in the Neighborhood Association Registry is limited to citizen groups living and/ or working in neighborhoods in the City of Raleigh and its Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, such as

- homeowners associations;
- neighborhood associations;
- block clubs;
- community watch groups;
- neighborhood business associations;
- garden clubs;
- other neighborhood service; and, organizations.

A "registered neighborhood organization" is defined as one that meets the following requirements.

- An identifiable constituency with specific geographical boundaries;
- At least one neighborhood meeting annually;
- A body of officers, of which at least one person is the advertised contact person for that group;
- 4. A non-partisan nature;
- A Constitution and /or Bylaws and /or Mission Statement; and,
- 6. Membership in the organization must be open to anyone who lives or owns property in the neighborhood.

#### Advantages of Participation

- Assistance with organizing neighborhood associations and projects
- Provide opportunities, apply for Neighborhood improvement matching grants
- Improve your ability to access City services
- Help new associations develop a membership database and assist with two mailings for the first year
- Participate in neighborhood conventions, training sessions, and workshops
- Linkage with CAC meetings to discuss proposals or other issues
- Assistance with community festivals and other neighborhood improvement events
- Participate in neighborhood empowerment and leadership events
- Forums to help you develop strategies, overcome problems and reach goals

## What is the cost to register?



## For an application contact:

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